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FCC,

On behalf of flight attendant's world wide I ask you to please not allow cell phone use in flight. It is already a problem when this occurs for a few minutes between landing and reaching the gate. I hear loud voices, profanity, and inappropriate conversation. Passengers are distracted while on the phone which poses a safety risk.. How could they evacuate an aircraft while engrossed in conversation? How can they hear important announcements from the flight deck or crew?

People like to read, sleep, or watch a movie while in flight. Cell phone use would be disruptive and annoying. Please don't add the monitoring of such use to the flight attendant's list of duties. The airplane is the last bastion of peace and quiet. Passengers are always asking for us to turn down someone's music or movie. It can be loud on the airplane. People would need to raise their voices to be heard which would be very disturbing. Please keep the airplanes a comfortable place to relax while traveling.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Anderson Flight Attendant United Airlines